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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0085; FRL 9518-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NESHAP for Radionuclides (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA)(44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

**DATES**: Additional comments may be submitted on or before [insert date 30 days after publication in the Federal Register].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0085, to (1) EPA online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), by email to a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Air and Radiation Docket, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB by mail to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On January 24, 2012 (77 FR 3472), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments. Any additional comments on this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2003-0085, which is available for online viewing at <a href="www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a>, or in person viewing at the Air and Radiation Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is 202-566-1744, and the telephone number for the Air and Radiation Docket is 202-566-1742.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system at <a href="www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a>, to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. Please note that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at <a href="www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a> as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, confidential business information (CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. For further information about the electronic docket, go to <a href="www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a>.

**Title**: NESHAP for Radionuclides (Renewal)

**ICR numbers:** EPA ICR No. 1100.14, OMB Control No. 2060-0191.

**ICR Status:** This ICR is scheduled to expire on July 31, 2012. Under OMB regulations, the

Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the Federal Register when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the Federal Register or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

**Abstract**: In the context of the Clean Air Act (42 USC 1857), Section 114 authorizes the Administrator of EPA to require any person who owns or operates any emission source or who is subject to any requirements of the Act to: 1) establish and maintain records, 2) make reports, install, use, and maintain monitoring equipment or method, 3) sample emissions in accordance with EPA prescribed locations, intervals and methods, and 4) provide information as may be requested. EPA's regional offices use the information collected to ensure that public health continues to be protected from the hazards of radionuclides by compliance with health based standards. This information is required for those facilities meeting the definition of each Subpart. EPA's compliance monitoring activities vary widely. EPA could issue a letter requesting information about compliance or could conduct a full scale investigation, including on-site inspections. The information required to be submitted is not confidential in nature. **Burden Statement**: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 144 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting,

validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: The NAICS Codes of facilities associated with the activity of the respondents are: 1) Elemental Phosphorous - 325188, 2) Phosphogypsum Stacks - 212392, 3) Underground Uranium Mines - 212291, and 4) Uranium Mill Tailings - 212291.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20

Frequency of Response: Initially (Once), Annually, Random (Occasionally)

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 2,872

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$500,572, which includes \$283,460 in annualized capital and O&M costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is a decrease of 6,324 hours in the total estimated burden currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved ICR Burdens. This decrease reflects a reduction in the number of facilities affected due to dwindling interest in underground uranium mining, fewer conventional uranium impoundments, reduced activities at phosphogypsum facilities, and alternate usage of phosphogypsum, (e.g., as road base).

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